

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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FUNDS FOR WELFARE OF PRIMITIVE TRIBAL GROUPS
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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has provided sufficient funds for the Welfare of Primitive Tribes of the country during the current financial year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the facilities provided to these Primitives Tribes and their present standard of Life;and
- (d) the steps taken to uplift their living standard?

Answer

MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS(SHRI P.R. KYNDIAH)

(a)&(b): The funds allocated for 2007-08 for the Central Sector Scheme namely 'Development of Primitive Tribal Groups' being administered by this Ministry for welfare of Primitive Tribal Groups (PTGs) is Rs.40.00 crores.

(c)&(d): The Primitive Tribal Groups generally have a lower standard of living as compared to other scheduled tribes. The interventions under the aforesaid scheme of Development of Primitive Tribal Groups include activities like housing, land distribution, income generation, health-care, education, infrastructure, irrigation, social security, etc. With the commencement of the 11th Plan, Ministry has obtained comprehensive 5-year Conservation-cum-Development (CCD) Plans for the welfare and development of the Primitive Tribal Groups of the respective States/UTs with special emphasis on hamlet/habitat development.